

Amendments of the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-30. (CANCELLED)

31. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method for subsidizing a transportation system, comprising:

granting access to the transportation system via a use of a transportation pass, the transportation pass comprising means for communicating electronic information to an authorization device to grant the access.

accumulating information related to each access of a plurality of accesses to the transportation system corresponding to a use of a plurality of transportation passes, generating statistical reports based on the information that is accumulated, and selling some or all of the statistical reports to subsidize the transportation system.

32. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 31, further including accumulating additional information related to each egress from the transportation system, and

wherein

the statistical reports are also based on the additional information.

33. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 31, further including associating user profiles to some or all of the plurality of transportation passes, and wherein the statistical reports are also based on the user profiles.

34. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 33, further including providing incentives to users who use the transportation passes having associated user profiles.

35. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 31, wherein

selling the statistical reports includes selling the statistical reports to commercial entities to facilitate demographic profiling.

36. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 31, wherein the statistical reports include at least one of:
- a number of accesses during a time interval,
 - the average number of accesses per unit of time,
 - a distribution of accesses over time, and
 - a distribution of access over geographic location.
37. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 32, wherein the statistical reports include at least one of:
- a number egresses during a time interval,
 - an average number of egresses per unit of time,
 - a distribution of egresses over time, and
 - a distribution of egresses over geographic location.
38. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 31, wherein each access is associated with a geographic location, and the statistical reports are also based on the geographic location of each access.
39. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 38, wherein selling the statistical reports includes selling the statistical reports to commercial concerns at select geographic regions corresponding to one or more of the geographic locations of the plurality of accesses.
40. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 32, wherein each egress is associated with a geographic location, and the statistical reports are also based on the geographic location of each egress.
41. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 40, wherein selling statistical reports includes selling the statistical reports to commercial concerns at select geographic regions corresponding to one or more of the geographic locations of the plurality of egresses.

42. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of managing a transportation system, comprising:

granting access to the transportation system via a use of a transportation pass, the transportation pass comprising means for communicating electronic information to an authorization device to grant the access,

accumulating information related to each access of a plurality of accesses to the transportation system corresponding to a use of a plurality of transportation passes, generating statistical reports based on the information that is accumulated, and managing the transportation system based at least in part on the statistical reports.

43. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 42, further including accumulating additional information related to each egress from the transportation system, and

wherein

the statistical reports are also based on the additional information.

44. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 42, further including associating user profiles to some or all of the plurality of transportation passes, and wherein the statistical reports are also based on the user profiles.

45. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 44, further including providing incentives to users who use the transportation passes having associated user profiles.

46. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 42, wherein the statistical reports include at least one of:

a number of accesses during a time interval,
an average number of accesses per unit of time,
a distribution of accesses over time, and
a distribution of access over geographic location.

47. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 43, wherein the statistical reports include at least one of:

a number egresses during a time interval,
an average number of egresses per unit of time,

a distribution of egresses over time, and
a distribution of egresses over geographic location.

48. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 42, wherein each access is associated with a geographic location, and the statistical reports are also based on the geographic location of each access.
49. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 43, wherein each egress is associated with a geographic location, and the statistical reports are also based on the geographic location of each egress.
50. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 43, wherein managing the transportation system includes
determining traffic flow based on corresponding accesses and egresses.
modifying one or more transportation services based on the traffic flow.